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# PROPOSE SPECIAL SESSION TO ACT ON TAX PROBLEM

Baker-Land Resolution Would Clear Calendar of Revenue Bills.

LEGISLATURE OF 1914 IS AT WORK

Many Bills on Important Subjects Come In on Opening Day. Williams Offers New Draft of Prohibition Enabling Act-Effective in 1916 If People Vote Dry.

Within an hour after the General Assembly of Virginia convened for its 1914 session yesterday, bills were placed on the clerk's desk in the two houses covering most of the topics which have been under discussion for months. Bills on taxation, the few system, the enabling act, reapportionment, and for the election of corporation commissioners by the people all went their way to appropriate committees. Judge Martin Williams announced that he would have a new rolling stock bill to offer in a day or two, and Hugh A. White is putting the two, and Hugh A. White is putting the final strokes on a new primary bill.

The Senate organization has been perfected, and its Finance Committee wrestling with the appropriation bill. The House committees will be announced to-day, the body having adopted the suggestion of Speaker Cox-that the work of the Finance Com-mittee be divided, the committee heroafter to raise the revenue, and a new Committee on Appropriations to have charge of spending it. Gossip about committee assignments is reneval, but Speaker Cox said last night that the lists were not describely concluded, and that changes might yet be made to secure the best available men.
For Special Session.

That the question of the reform is the paramount issue before the State because apparent visterlay in both houses. W. W. Bakir, of Chesterfield, and W. A. Land, of Nottoway, offered joint revolution, which was read with are before it was referred to the rouse Committee on Finance. It sets forth that there is a necessity for a careful and thorough ravision of existg tax laws, and this it is practicalhaving due regard to other subjects of pressing importance demanding prompt attention, to give the subject of taxation the thorough consideration it The resolution, therefore, prosides that a joint committee be named from the Senate and House, to be known as the special joint committee on taxation, to be charged with the of fully considering the whole subject of taxation, and reporting at a special session of the General Assem-bly, to be called later, what changes in the present system are advisable. The committee is to organize after adjournment of the present session, and is to prepare in written form bills carrying into effect the system of taxation recommended. The committee shall report to the Governor when its work is completed, asking him to call a special session of the General Assembly to consider the report and enact such laws as may be expedient in carrying it into effect

The New Enabling Act. The new enabling act offered by Mr. Williams differs in some of its details from the Jordon bill, under considera-tion at the last session. It provides that when one-fourth of the number of persons voting in the preceding that when one-fourth of the number of persons voting in the preceding gubernatorial election petition the Governor, he shall call an election, the bill specifying that the election must be held on the fourth Tuesday in the September following. Within fifteen days after such election the Secretary Within fifteen of the Commonwealth shall certify th result to the Governor, showing the total vote for and against State-wide prohibition, and the Governor the eupon issue a proclamation declar-ing the result, and calling attention to its effect under this act. Should the report to the Governor show a majority against State-wide prohibition, the laws in relation to the sale of liquor in effect at the date of the approval of this act shall continue in force. If the majority is found to be for State-wide prohibition, the Governor shall proclaim that fact, and on and after first day of the May next succeeding the regular session of the General Assembly of Virginia, held after the date of such election, it shall be unlawful for any person, social club, firm or corporation to manufacture for sale, or purchase or sale, transport for sale or dispense any intoxicating liquors, except for medicinal, scientific, sacramental or mechanical purposes.

The changes in the wording of the act, it was stated, were made in an effort to meet constitutional objections which were raised against the former making power was in the General Assembly, and that the people could not enact nor the Governor proclaim a law. Should the Williams bill be adopted and in the election held under it the vote be in favor of State-wide prohibition, the proclamation would not take effect until May 1, 1916—that is, the first day of May following the next regular session of the General Assem-

Both Houses Organize. The organization of the two houses ollowed the lines 'aid down in the caucus, O. V. Hanger being 'elected clerk of the Senate, Vice Marshall Booker resigned. The other Senate officers hold over. In the House Edwin P. Cox, of Richmond, was elected Speaker and John W. Williams, clerk. Governor Mann laid before the Gen-eral Assembly for confirmation the appointments of Judge William F. Rhes on the Corporation Commission, George P. Coleman as Highway Commissioner and Robert L. Gardner as judge of the Corporation Court at Radford. The Governor's message was read and the usual number of copies ordered

By unanimous action a tolat resolu tion was adopted approving Richmond (Continued On Fifth Page.)

### RETURN FINDINGS TO-DAY

Grand Jury Inquiries Into Lawlessness in Copper Strike Region.

Houghton, Mich., January 14.—Findings of the special grand jury inquiring into lawlessness in the copper strike region will be returned in court to-morrow. This announcement was made to-night by George Nichols, special prosecutor who has been in charge of that branch of the State's judicial machinery.

machinery.

No intimation was forthcoming as to whether true bills would be included in the report. Observations of the last few days, however, make it vory certain that some indictments will be given out.

There is a possibility that the grand jury will include in its resentment some action on the deportation of Charles P. Moyer, president, and Charles Tanner, auditor of the Western Federation of Miners.

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Other returns are expected to em-brace charges against certain mem-bers of the Western Federation. Near-ly every man in charge of union ac-tivities is prepared to face this possi-

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There was renewed rioting in the village of Ahmeek to-night. As a result of the clash between deputies and strikers, twenty men and one woman were arrested, and charged with vio-lating an injunction against picketing. Prisoners were released on their own recognizance. Prisoners were released on that recognizance.

Mining company officials are watching with interest developments at Washington regarding a possible congressional inquiry into the strike.

### TERMS OF MILITIA PAY BILL

and \$2,500,000 for armament and equipment.

Secretary Garrison will lay a draft of the measure before President Wilson, with an explanation of just what the Federal government may expect in return for the money appropriated. If the President gives his indorsement, the bill will go before Congress as an administration measure.

The committee that conferred with Secretary Garrison to-day comprised Brigadier-General Martin, of Texas; Brigadier-General Stewart, of Pennsylvania; Brigadier-General Stewart, of Pennsylvania; Brigadier-General Stewart, of Pennsylvania; Brigadier-General Sadler, of New Jersey, and Brigadier-General Young, of Illinois. Brigadier-General Crowder, judge advocate-general of the army, and Brigadier-General Mills, chief of the Division of Military Affairs, were present.

#### MACKAY DECLINES TO TALK

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Will Not Discuss Matter of Reconciliation With His Wife.

[Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.]
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## TEACHERS TO VISIT GERMANY

Will Serve as Student Instructors in Trade Continuation Schools.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, January 14.—Twenty-five American school teachers, through a special arrangement of the United States Bureau of Education and the authorities of Munich, Germany, will go to that city in April, to serve as student teachers in the trade continuation schools.

tion schools.

Dr. Philander P. Claxton. United States Commissioner of Education, hopes that through the investigations of these teachers trade continuation schools may become part of the public school system of the United States.

# TO INCREASE WEIGHT LIMIT

Burleson Favors 100 Pounds as Limit for Parcel Post Packages. [Special to The Times-Dispatch.] Washington, January 14.—Parcel post packages weighing 100 pounds will be Washington, January 14.—Parcel post packages weighing 100 pounds will be a feature of the postal service if plans being considered favorably by Postmaster-General Burleson go through Mr. Burleson said to-day he believed that 600,000,000 parcels would be transported by July 1, 1914, if the present rush keeps up, which would bring the Post-Office Department a revenue of about \$60,000,000.

## ST. LOUIS MINISTER ACCEPTS

Will Become President of Concordia Will Become President of Concordia College, in North Carolina.

St. Louis Mo., January 14.—Rev. H. B. Hemmeter, pastor of the Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church in St. Louis, has accepted a call to the presidency of Concordia College, at Concover, N. C. and will depart for that city some time next month. Mr. Hemmeter had been in charge of the local church for six years. From Conover he will direct the missionary work of his church in the Southeast.

# AGREE ON PEACE TREATY

Secretary Bryon and Bolivian Minister Secretary Brynn and Bollvian Minister Decide on Terms.

Washington, January 14.—Secretary Bryan and Senor Don Ignacio Calderon, Bollvian minister, to-day agreed on terms of a treaty providing that any question between the two countries which cannot be settled by diplomacy shall be submitted for investigation to an international commission of five members. This treaty will follow the lines of the peace convention recently signed by Secretary Bryan and the Netherlands minister.

Similar treaties have been negotiated with five Central American countries.

# THORNTON MAKES FIRST DEMAND ON MORGAN FOR WILL

Bill Directs That Unless He Returns It Suit Is to Be Filed.

#### SENATE REFUSED TO ACT AT ONCE

Fairfax County Asserts That Martha Washington's Will, Stolen During War, Is Now in Possession of New York Banker-Goes to Committee.

The fight for the recovery of the will of Martha Washington, now in the possession of John Plerpont Morgan, of New York, was carried to the Gen- Democratic members of the Senate eral Assembly of Virginia yesterday by Senator Thornton, of Fairfax County, who introduced a bill directing the Attorney-General to institute suit in

the Supreme Court of the United States to effect its recovery. Senator Thornton represents the district in which the Washingtons, Mar-tha and George, spent the greater part of their lives. He made an unsuccessful attempt yesterday to secure a sus-pension of the rules in order that the bill might be at once placed on its passage. Senator Walker, of Northum-berland, thought that there was no need for precipitate action, and asked that the bill be sent through the regular channels. The motion to suspend the rules failed to carry, and the bill was referred to the Committee for Courts of Justice.

#### Text of Thornton Bill.

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The bill follows in full:

"Whereas the original last will of Martha Washington, of Mount Vernon, the widow of George Washington, dated September 2, 1890, was duly proven before the County Court of Fairfax County, in the State of Virginia, on June 21, 1802, and was ordered to be recorded therein, and thereupon was deposited among the archives of the County Court of Fair-

to restore the same to the achives of the said County of Fairfax, although he has been informed of the circumstance of its removal therefrom, and has been requested to restore the

same. "Now, therefore, be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia:

"First, that the Governor of this Commonwealth be, and he hereby is, said they were in hearty accord with half w authorized and directed to cause formal the President's views. Similar expres-Pierpont Morgan for the return of the and members of the Senate Commerce Washington to the State of Virginia. "Second, that in the event the said of this Commonwealth is hereby au- June. monwealth of Virginia, such such suits at law or in equity against the suits of the subcommittee had not embodied in its plan.

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"Third, upon the recovery of the possession of the said document, it shall be delivered to the clerk of the Circuit Court of Fairfax County, for deposit and safekeeping among the archives of Fairfax County.

"Fourth, an emergency existing, aking it necessary that this act making it necessary should become at once effective, it shall be effective from its passage."

## COAL HEARINGS RESUMED

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Similar treaties have been negotiated with five Central American countries.

AGAINST EUGENICS BILL

South Carolina Senate Kills Measure by Vote of 22 to 17.

Columbia, S. C., January 14.—The State Senate to-day killed a bill requiring that male applicants for many if large licenses present satisfactory health certificates. The vote was 22 to 17 in favor of indefinite postpone ment.

The testimony to-day related largely to the practices obtaining in the animal forms, a subsidiary of the Central Railroad Company, of New Jersey, and the Sustence of the work of the confliction of the measure with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company with the Northern Central Railroad Company, of New Jersey, and the Sustant Company, of New Jersey, and the Sustence of the complexations in mitter of the pennsylvania Railroad Company holds as ultra-progressive defined the complexations in mitter of a similar law in Wisconsin.

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# PRESIDENT GIVES ANTITRUST VIEWS TO PARTY CHIEFS

Wants Task Approached in Friendly, Not Hostile Spirit.

#### EXPRESSES HOPE OF EARLY ACTION

Points Out General Lines Along Many of Passengers and Crew Which He Thinks Legislation Should Be Framed, and Urges Common Agreement Among Framers of Proposed Measures.

Washington, January 14 .- President Wilson took into his confidence to-day on the subject of antitrust reform Committee on Interstate Commerce and a subcommittee of the House Ju-diciary Committee. With these committees, which will be in charge of antitrust legislation, the President spent several hours reading his forthcoming conferences the following program was

Prohibition of interlocking directorates in banks, trust companies and al-lied industrial corporations. Elimination of uncertainty as to what constitutes a restraint of trade under the Sherman law through specific definition of monopolies and trusts. that there can be no "reasonable" re-

Interstate Trade Commission.

Establishment of an interstate trade commission, which would take over the Bureau of Corporations, serve as Capt. the Bureau of Corporations, serve as an auxiliary to the courts and Department of Justice, and act as a Bureau of Information, to which the business time there was a high wind and rough world could direct inquiries, but which would have no rower of granting. world could direct inquiries, but which would have no power of granting immunity or of regulation.

He took off in three lifeboat loads seventy-two persons, including munity or of regulation.

said Chairman Clayton, of the House "We will have other conferences

Asked if the House subcommittee outlined to the President some of its bills, Mr. Clayton replied:

"We did not come to give the Presicity afforded.

dent our ideas, but to get his."
In Accord With Views. Mr. Clayton and committee members

sions came from Chairman Newlands last will and testament of Martha Committee.

The President indicated his desire "Second, that in the event the said that the subject should be promptly, day began to feel her way toward St though carefully, considered and dis- John. The last of the object the control of the contro reasonable time, the Attorney-General posed of if possible, by the middle of

thorized and directed to institute in the Supreme Court of the United States of America, and prosecute to a final conclusion in the name of the Com-

the bills, eliminating hearings, as they tody of said document, and the At- consider enough information on the subject already is at their disposal. There are pending in Congress several bills providing for a trade commission. All would provide for a nonpartisan board, appointed by the President with the consent of the Senate. The present idea is that the proposed should be an aid to the Department of Jistice, but should in no manconflict with the jurisdiction of

## CAPT. LAMB IN WASHINGTON

that department

Former Member of Congress Cordinlly
Greeted by Old Colleagues.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, D. C., January 14.—Captain John Lamb, of Richmond, for many years a much-respected and prominent member of Congress from Virginia, was in Washington to-day. He received a cordial greeting when he entered the House chamber. Although a number of new members came in at the time Captain Lamb left the House last spring, there were many of his old colleagues present to-day to give him a first-class welcome.

"I am glad to he back among the scenes of my former days," Captain Lamb said to The Times-Dispatch correspondent, "and among the people with whom I spent so many interesting years. It is a genuine pleasure to be here again.

"There is nothing of great import-

# MERCILESS WAVES BREAKING UP SHIP AS RESCUE COMES

Those on the Cobequid Snatched From Almost Certain Death.

#### NO MISHAP MARS TRIUMPH OVER SEA

Taken on Steamers to Yarmouth, Where Every Comfort Is Afforded Them-Appeals for Assistance Answered in Nick of Time.

Yarmouth, N. S., January 14 .- Snatched from what seemed almost certain death, passengers and crew of the Royal Mail Packet Cobequid are snug to-

night in Yarmouth harbor, Wireless appeals for assistance, which she had first made thirty-six hours before, were answered late to-day as the doomed steamer was be-ing racked to pieces on Trinity Rock, message and pointing out the general six miles off Port Maitland. The res-lines along which he believes trust cue will go down in shipping annals legislation should be framed. From the as one of the most notable ever ac-

complished on the Atlantic Coast.

The Cobequid had begun to break up under the terrific waves, which had been merciless from the time she struck early yesterday. Quantities of cargo covered the waters as the lifeboats ranged alongside. The coastal steamien-crs Westport and John L. Cann were so first to get their small boats into the water, and they were followed soon by boats of the government steamer Landsdowne and the steamer Rappa-Removal of all possibility of "Immunity baths" for offending corporations
or individuals. gressed the seas subsided, and no mis-hap marred the triumph over the

First Passengers Taken Off.

all passengers, the purser, several deck officers and part of the crew. The Westport stood by until 6:15 o'clock, when the John L. Cann came The President to-day did most of the talking, with occasional interruptions big visitors. Details were left ship until morning, and the govern-ment steamer Landsdowne stood by. The Westport arrived at Yarmouth at 9 o'clock, and the John L Cann fol-

lowed her in. The Cobequid's stern was not broken, as first reported, according to the account given by Captain McKinnon. In fact, the after part was highest out of the water. The Cobequid was badly iced up.

The 108 persons on the Cobequid included twelve first-class passengers and an equal number in the second "We just had a discussion of the class. Mrs. W. C. Zoller and her child were the first to go over the side Then followed Misses Marguerite and R. H. James, Mayor of St. Georges. Bermuda; and two Sisters of Charity. Preparation had been made here to care for the shipwrecked ones, they were given every comfort the

Trinity Rock, on which the Cobequid was transfixed, is a pinnacle of granite, rising abruptly from the half way between this port and Brier

Bay Swept by Blizzard.

The bay was swept by a typical vestern blizzard as the Cobequid, bound from the tropics, early yester-John. The last of the ebb tide was running, and the wind was strong from the West—conditions which tended to drive the steamer closer to the eastern The crash came just before dawn

and a few minutes later the wireless "S. O. S." was flashing out. The Cobe-Both committees have determined to go ahead with the work of drafting farther on the rocks, breaking her back and flooding the engine-room. This put out the fires and interrupted the wireless.

The passengers were greatly alarmed, but the courage of Captain Haw-son and his abiding faith in his ship reassured them. The steamer mad water rapidly, and the cargo began to tear away. Throughout the day and

at the work before them with perfec confidence. Less than five hours later those who faced death for two days were being warmed and fed at the hotels here. So far as could be learned to-night, none of the party was per-manently the worse for the adventure.

# PLANS FOR NEW FINANCING

Being Considered by New York Central and Hudson Hiver Railroad.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

New York, January 14.—New York Central and Hudson River Italiroad Company is considering plans for new financing.

Bankers understand the road plans to renew for a short period its \$30, 000,000 thre-year 4 1-2 per cent notes, maturing March 1, and the \$20,000,000 5 per cent one-year notes due April 21.

Following this extension, it is believed; the security markets will have
improved sufficiently to warrant sale
of some of the \$500,000,000 refunding
mortgage bonds, recently authorized by
the Public Service Commission. Estimates as to the amount of bonds that
would probably be offered place it at
\$75,000,000 This would take care of the
notes and leave a considerable sum for notes and leave a considerable sum for its 1914 requirements.

#### STRIKERS DEFY POLICE

Trades Hall Attacked Without Avail. Trades Hall Attacked Without Avail. Several Injured in Bayonet Charges.

Johannesburg, January 14.—The siege of Trades Hall, where Secretary Bain, of the Federation of Trades and a band of his supporters are defying the police from behind barricades, was the main feature of the strike drama today. After the hall had been attacked by police and detectives this morning without avail, great crowds gathered. When the police made several bayonet charges, owing to the aggressive attitude of the people, many were slightly injured.

tude of the people, many were slightly injured.

With the final bayonet charge, the police cleared the entire neighborhood, and a cordon of police with fixed bayonets was thrown around the hall.

The police commander said he had no intention of again attempting an assault on the hall as he considered the 300 men in it as safe as in lail. The besieged have obtained food from nearby restaurants.

A bomb explosion to-day at Benone slightly injured three mounted troopers. Several strikers arrested by the police near the place, were rescued by their comrades, but subsequently were rearrested.

their comrades, but subsequently were rearrested.

The Transvaal Railway authorities are maintaining a partial service, and are attempting to insure an adequate supply of food and fuel. Bakers will not strike for the present, but they refuse to bake for the police, troops or special constables.

The miners continue to stop work as fast as their regular shifts end. The Department of Mines announced that it will keep the miners running, and has no intention of sending natives home.

#### **NEW CURE FOR PARESIS**

Treatment Being Administered to Inmates of Bloomingdale Asylum.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

New York, January 14.—Presis or softening of the brain which has helped to fill the world's lunatic asylums, yields to a newly discovered treatment announced by Dr. Hanson S. Ogilyie, a member of the staff of the New York Neurological Institute, and Dr. George Draper. Both physicians are connected with the Rockefeller Institute.

After six months of careful experiment and observation, it is also said that locomotor ataxia can be arrested if not cured, by the new treatment.

Faresis alone caused the insanity of 360 men, or 17 per cent of the total number admitted to the State asylums of New York in 1910.

So impressive are the effects of the new treatment that it is being given to fifty paretics in Bloomingdale Asylum, near White Plains. Already it has accomplished remarkable results, according to physicians qualified to speak.

The new treatment is based on the use of Ehrlich's salversan, which has been employed successfully in treating the greatest scourge on earth; that which may be called the parent disease of paresis and locomotor ataxia. But in treating paresis, the salversan is modified by combination with the serum of human blood, and is by a delicate operation, injected into the velns and spinal cord of the paretic.

AGAINST "SPOILS SCHEMF"

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Columbia, S. C., January 14.—The national committee charged with the selection of cities for regional reserve banks under the new currency law to enhance the limits of the Southern region by accommittee of bankers representing the two others are the elimits of the Southern region by a committee of bankers representing the scelection of cities for regional reserve banks and committee of the the limits of the Southern region by a committee of bankers representing the selection of cities for regional reserve banks and committee of the setablishment of one of the regional by a committee of bankers representing the two delegations of the St

#### AGAINST "SPOILS SCHEME"

Postmaster-General Burleson recently wrote Representative Moon, chairman of the Post-Office Committee, opposing the proposal, but it was not withdrawn. The Presilent is expected soon to inform House leaders of his views.

# TAKES BLOODY REVENGE

North Carolinian Kills Wife, MotherIn-Law and Himself.

Hamlet, N. C., January 14.—Angered by the refusal of his wife to go on a trip with him, Will Simons killed her, her mother and himself, the triple tragedy occurring at the home of Mrs. John Calvin Wiggins, mother-in-law of Simons, about four miles south of this place this morning at 9 o'clock. Reports from the community state that Simons, who married the daughter of Mrs. Wiggins about two months ago, and lived with his mother-in-law, decided this morning that he wanted a change of scene, told his wife to make ready to go with him, and when she said she would not, got his shotgum. His wife fled from the house, Simons delayed just long enough to shoot his mother-in-law, killing her instantly. Then he followed his wife and shot her dead. Deliberately reloading the double-barreled gun, Simons took off his shoes and, pulling the trigger with his toes, blew out his own brains.

Simons came here from Georgia a few years ago, Mrs. Wiggins was a native of this county.

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# AL JENNINGS IN PITTSBURGH Gives Women He Is Visiting Credit for His Reformation.

the night that followed the officers scanned the sea for passing craft, and the operator worked heroically to restore his wireless outfit.

Meantime, steamers that had picked up the first cry for help were searching for the distressed craft. A heavy vapor on the water handicapped the searchers, and it was a fisherman on Port Maitland shore who first made out the Cobequid as the vapor rose late to-day.

Darkness was gathering fast when the rescue began, but the coastal steamer boatmen knew the rock and the surrounding shoals well, and went at the work before them with perfect at the more didate for Governor of Oklahoma, is visiting Mrs. L. O. McLean here. Jennings gives Mrs. McLean credit for his reformation.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]

Pittsburgh, Pa., January 14.—Al Jennings, former train robber, now candidate for Governor of Oklahoma, is visiting Mrs. L. O. McLean here. Jennings gives Mrs. McLean credit for his reformation.

"Ten years ago, shortly after I was released from prison," said Jennings to a train. Instead of censuring me, Mrs. McLean said: Well, Mr. Jennings, I don't care what you were if you are trying to be all right now.' This, coming at a time when I was sorely tempted because of the repeated robuffs I had received, gave additional courage to remain on the claims of Columbia for a regional bank.

It was announced to-day that the claims of Columbia for a regional bank.

## DESPERADO BARRICADED

Posse Stands Guard Over Little Farm-house Where Fugitive Is Hiding. house Where Fugitive Is Hiding.

Mayville, N. Y., January 14.—Edward Beardsley, a Summerdale farmer, who yesterday shot and perhaps fatally wounded John G. Whutnam, overseer of the poor of Chatauqua County, to-night was barricaded in the little farmhouse a mile outside the village, where the shooting occurred, and a posse of twenty armed men is on guard. In the sheriff's force are half a dozen crack shots, who are under instructions to fire at Beardsley whenever he shows himself. Fear of wounding Mrs. Beardsley or the nine children in the house with the desperado was the reason for confining the shooting to the sharpshooters. Only three or four shots were fired during the day, Beardsley kept under cover most of the time.

Death of Thomas E. Goode.

Gulfport, Miss., January 14.—Thomas E. Goode, aged sixty-seven years, a telegraph operator in the service of the Confederacy during the Civil War, died here this afternoon of pneumonia. He was a member of prominent families in Alabama and Virginia.

# **WANT COMMITTEE** TO DEFINE LIMITS OF REGIONAL BANK

Richmond and Columbia Agree on Plan of Procedure.

#### THEN CITIES WILL MAKE THEIR FIGHT

First Effort Will Be to Secure Wholly Southern Territory in One Reserve District, With Struggle of Municipalities for Selection Coming Afterwards.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Columbia, S. C., January 14.—The national committee charged with the selection of cities for regional reserve banks under the new currency law tomorrow afternoon will be asked to define the limits of the Southern region by a committee of bankers representing Richmond and Columbia. Members of the delegations representing the two cities that have been contending for the establishment of one of the regional banks, following a long conference here to-day in the rooms of the Chamber of Commerce, left to-night for

Members of the Richmond delega-tion were John M. Miller, Jr., Thomas B. McAdams, H. F. Smith and W. T. Dabney. Representing the bankers of Savannah were Courtney Thorpe and

President Will Call Halt in Tendency to Break Down Merit System.

Washington, January 14.—President Wilson let it be known to-day that he opposes a return of the "spoils system" of post-office appropriation bill now before the House unless the "rider" in it exempting assistant post-masters from the classified service is eliminated.

The President, it is understood, has decided to call a halt to what has been charged by civil service advocates as a tendency in Congress to break down the merit system. He was confronted in the tariff, currency and the urgent ceficiency bills with the civil service fook the position that his power of placing employes in the classified service had not been weakened and that the merit system could be applied.

The "rider" in the post-office appropriation bill would give the Postmaster-General he post-office appropriation bill would give the Postmaster-General Burleson recently wrote Representative Moon,

Postmaster-General Burleson recently wrote Representative Moon, matter of State pride, with Richmond second, but they were desirous of having the South Carolina capital withdraw in favor of the Virginians. J. W. Simpson, representing the bankers of Spartanburg, told the members of the conference to-day that as a matter of State loyalty the Spartanburg bank-ers were in favor of Columbia, but that they would like to see Columbia with-

claims by the Richmond delegation, the South Carolina bankers committee went into an executive session.

Upon return, it was stated that Co-lumbia would not support the claim of Richmond, but that the best course

claims of Columbia for a regional bank will be heard by the national committhe which is composed of Secretary McAdoo, Secretary Houston and John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency, on February 12. Every memoer of the special committee of seven representing the bankers of South Carolina will attend this hearing in Washington. ng in Washington.

McLaurin's Statement. The following statement by Senator John L. McLaurin will appear in tomorrow's South Carolina papers:
"Of course, I would like to see the
Federal reserve bank located in Co-

lumbia, but, if this is impossible, I chink it would be much more advantageous for it to be located in Rich-mond, rather than in Atlanta. "Richmond is more of a banking centre than Atlanta, because Richmond

borrows comparatively little money, and always has it to lend. Richmond also has most of its business connections with North Carolina and larolina, and there are very few banks of any size in either of these States that have not a correspondent among the banks of Richmond. I do not suppose that there is a town of any